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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE - EXAMINING GROUP 1630
PATENT**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants : Anne N. Murphy *et al.*
Application No. : 09/709,785
Filed : November 3, 2000
For : COMPOSITIONS AND METHODS FOR DETERMINING
INTERACTIONS OF MITOCHONDRIAL COMPONENTS, AND
FOR IDENTIFYING AGENTS THAT ALTER SUCH
INTERACTIONS

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

Commissioner for Patents:

In response to the Office Action dated October 21, 2002, please extend the period for response two months, to expire March 21, 2003. Enclosed please find a petition for extension of time and the requisite fee. Please amend the application as follows:

In the Claims:

Please amend claim 107 to read as follows:

107. (Twice Amended) The method of claim 106 wherein the second isolated recombinant polypeptide comprises a human adenine nucleotide translocator polypeptide or variant thereof that is fused to a polypeptide selected from the group consisting of a DL^NYDDDDK [SEQ ID NO:56] epitope tag and a DYKDDDDK [SEQ ID NO:55] epitope tag,